

HONORING THE VETERANS OF THE  
CLASS OF 1964 FROM WINTERS  
HIGH SCHOOL

**HON. K. MICHAEL CONAWAY**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 12, 2014*

Mr. CONAWAY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the twenty veterans of the Class of 1964 from Winters High School as they celebrate their 50th class reunion this year.

These twenty men embody a spirit that echoes throughout Texas, a spirit that has made America strong. Their decision to join and serve is a reflection of their love for country and the understanding that everyone has a part to play in making our nation great. Winters High School wishes to honor these proud Blizzards: Kenneth Adams, United States Army; Adolfo Arroyo, United States Air Force (ret.); Glynn Awalt, National Guard; Dickie Bellis, United States Army; Alan Benson, United States Marine Corps; Ricky Boles, United States Army; Ronald Colburn, United States Army; Lynn Cornelius, United States Navy; Earl Green, United States Air Force; William Green, United States Army (ret.); B.M. Grenwelge, Jr., National Guard; Steve Grissom, United States Army; Gary Hester, United States Army and National Guard (ret.); Mike Hill, National Guard; Johnney Hopper, United States Army; Charles Nitsch, United States Army; Mike Mitchell, United States Army; Louis Simpson, United States Marine Corps; Arnold Thormeyer, United States Air Force; Marcelo Torres, United States Army.

These veterans embody the qualities that are necessary to serve a greater good, without which, our nation could not secure life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Today, we show our debt of gratitude for these men and women and the displays of greatness that have defined us as a nation.

Colleagues, please join me in honoring these veterans and their families for their dedication and service to our great nation.

IN HONOR OF BEVERLY ANN  
NEWELL

**HON. SAM FARR**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 12, 2014*

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and memory of Beverly Ann Newell, a truly remarkable woman who enriched us all. Beverly's recent death has left her family and friends with a deep sense of grief, though the memory of her life still shines brightly.

Beverly was born in December, 1936 in Albuquerque N.M., the descendant of New Mexico and Colorado pioneers. She moved with her family to Seattle where she grew into a vibrant young woman. Beverly attended the University of Washington where she began her lifetime career in physical therapy. She quickly followed with a masters degree in physical therapy from Stanford University. Then in 1961, she found herself in Switzerland where she met a young traveling American student named Roger Newell.

In 1965, Beverly and Roger married and began a long honeymoon on the Newell family

ranch in Big Sur. After living in the San Francisco Bay Area for a few years, they returned to Big Sur to raise their children Mark, Jonathan, and Annika. At the same time, Beverly became an integral part of the Big Sur community. She took active roles with the Big Sur Volunteer Ambulance Service and the Big Sur Historical Society. And in an effort that has had tremendous long term value, Beverly helped co-found the Big Sur Land Trust, which has played a pivotal role in the intervening years in preserving Big Sur's incomparable natural landscape.

As their children entered high school, Beverly and Roger moved up the coast to the Monterey Peninsula. Beverly became active with her church, Mayflower Presbyterian, where her deep faith helped her serve many years as a deacon. As her children grew and moved away, Beverly returned to her professional life as a physical therapist working with elderly patients in local nursing homes as well as people suffering from cerebral palsy. She also devoted herself to the lives of her grandchildren: Kyler, Micaela, Ohanapecosh, and Tole.

Beverly was the sort of person who had a tremendous influence on the lives of the people around her. She was invariably kind and loving. People's lives were enriched from the simple joy of being with her. She was also inexhaustibly creative. She was a phenomenal pianist who could play just about anything from ear. She also loved creating beauty with her hands whether through weaving, sewing, ceramics, gardening, or many other ways.

Mr. Speaker, I know I speak for the whole House in offering our condolences to Beverly's family and friends. While we mourn her death, we celebrate the gift that her life was to all of us. The world is a far better place because Beverly lived her life with her own particular style of love and joy.

HONORING DR. FRANCIS X. VAN  
LIESHOUT

**HON. REID J. RIBBLE**

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 12, 2014*

Mr. RIBBLE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Francis X. Van Lieshout on his 87th birthday, which he celebrated on October 11, 2014. Dr. Van Lieshout has been an integral member of the Fox Valley community and I am proud to recognize his dedicated service to the people of Wisconsin.

Dr. Van Lieshout was born in Kimberly, Wisconsin on October 11, 1927. After graduating from Kimberly High School in 1945, Dr. Van Lieshout served for three years overseas in the U.S. Navy. Upon returning to the United States, he received his undergraduate and medical degrees from Marquette University.

Dr. Van Lieshout returned to Little Chute with his wife Josephine after graduating from medical school. There, he and his wife raised seven children. He practiced family medicine in Little Chute for 42 years, working long hours at the hospital and making house calls following work. After retiring from medicine, he dedicated his time to volunteering in the community, working at St. Vincent de Paul and St. Bernadette's parish in Appleton, WI.

He has received multiple awards for his service to the community, dedication to Catho-

lic education, and service to the poor. In 1999, Van Lieshout Park was named in his honor in Little Chute.

Today, Dr. Van Lieshout and his wife live in Appleton, where he enjoys volunteering, spending time with his family and friends, and fishing. It is truly an honor to represent an extraordinary citizen who has dedicated his life to serving the people of the Fox River Valley in Northeastern Wisconsin.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the 8th district of Wisconsin, I congratulate Dr. Van Lieshout on his 87th birthday and sincerely thank him for his service to Wisconsin.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE AND  
RETIREMENT OF JUDGE JEAN  
BOYD

**HON. KAY GRANGER**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 12, 2014*

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the career and accomplishments of Judge Jean Boyd, who has been a proven leader in Fort Worth, Texas.

Judge Jean Boyd is the presiding judge of the 323rd Family District Court, which serves Tarrant County as its Juvenile Court. Judge Boyd has presided in this Court since 1995, having previously served as its Associate Judge since 1987. She is retiring from the bench in December 2014 after 27 years of judicial service.

Throughout her career, Judge Boyd has worked to serve her community and her profession as a whole. She is the Chair of the Juvenile Justice Committee of the Judicial Section of the State Bar of Texas, and she has previously served as Chair of the Juvenile Law Section of the State Bar of Texas. She served on the Board of the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission from 2005 to 2011. In January 2014, she was appointed by Governor Perry to the Supreme Court of Texas Permanent Judicial Commission for Children, Youth and Families.

Judge Boyd is a past board member of the Tarrant County Bar Association and a past president of the Eldon B. Mahon Inn of Court, the Tarrant County Young Lawyers' Association and the Tarrant County Women Lawyers' Association. Judge Boyd was honored as the Outstanding Young Lawyer of Tarrant County in 1988 and received The Professionalism Award from the Tarrant County Bar Association in 2001. In 2011, Judge Boyd became the first woman to receive the Tarrant County Bar Association's prestigious Silver Gavel Award, which is given to jurists who have made a substantial contribution to the bench by exemplifying ability, integrity and courage.

In 2000, Judge Boyd spearheaded the implementation of National Adoption Day in Tarrant County and has participated in every National Adoption Day event since then. She was selected as Judge of the Year by Texas CASA in 1999. In 2002, Judge Boyd received the Judge Scott Moore Award from Child Advocates of Tarrant County. In 2003, she was the recipient of the Angel in Adoption Award from the Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute. She served on the founding boards of CASA of Tarrant County and the Alliance for Children and is currently a member of the board of Gill Children's Services.